Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 04 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 03 Apr 2023 at 12:24 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence until Thursday when there is some uncertainty on return of rainfall across the country. Higher confidence in drier conditions returning on Friday.

Headline for Tuesday 04 Apr 2023: Cloudy with some patchy light rain, brightest in the north and east. Increasing southerly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 04 Apr 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
20%	30%	30%	30%	30%	40%	40%	70%

Forecast for Tuesday 04 Apr 2023

Weather: High cloud across the region will give hazy sunshine at first for most but low cloud will increasingly push in from the west through the day, this affecting Skye during the early hours, the west of the region during the morning and across all parts by around mid-afternoon. This will bring some patchy light rain at times but turning more persistent, and with some heavy burst, later in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% during the early hours, decreasing to 40% in the west during the morning and east into the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud, bases 600-800m, gradually pushing in from the west through the day. Temporary reductions in visibility to moderate in any heavier rain, mainly later in the evening.

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Forecast for Tuesday 04 Apr 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	31/38 S	34/41 S	32/40 S	29/37 S	29/38 S	32/42 S	30/40 S	33/43 S	31/41 S
900	27/34 S	31/39 S	31/39 S	25/33 S	26/35 S	30/40 S	28/38 S	30/40 S	28/38 S
600	17/24 S	21/29 S	21/29 S	18/26 S	19/28 S	23/32 S	20/30 S	19/30 S	19/29 S
300	13/22 S	14/24 S	14/22 S	15/20 S	17/27 S	18/28 S	16/26 S	17/28 S	16/27 S
Glen	9/21 S	6/18 S	6/17 S	8/20 S	13/27 S	13/28 S	12/28 S	13/29 S	14/30 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	0/-7	0/-8	-0/-8	1/-7	2/-5	2/-4	2/-5	2/-5	2/-4
900	1/-6	1/-6	1/-7	2/-5	3/-4	3/-3	3/-4	3/-4	3/-3
600	3/-2	3/-2	3/-3	4/-1	5/-0	5/0	5/0	5/-0	5/0
300	5/4	6/4	5/3	6/4	7/5	7/5	7/5	7/5	7/5
Glen	8/6	8/7	8/6	9/7	9/6	10/7	10/7	9/6	9/6
Freezing Level*	1400m	1500m	1300m	1600m	1700m	1700m	1500m	1900m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling cold at height in the strong winds.

Forecast for Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Weather: Low cloud lingering across the region during the morning with outbreaks of rain, heavy at times. This mostly clearing into the afternoon, although some patchy cloud may linger at first, but becoming dry.

Maximum wind: Southerly 20-25 mph, gusting 35 mph, easing into the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% during the morning, increasing to 80% into the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud, base 600-800m, in association with the rain, with moderate visibility in heavy outbreaks. Good into the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to plus 12 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 rising to plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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